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QUITO FOR GELBARD AND MCLEAN

E.O. 12356: DECL: OADR
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SUBJECT: SUPPORTING DEMOCRACY IN VENEZUELA

REF: A) CARACAS 01237, B) CARACAS 01238, C) CARACAS 01239

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2. THE COUP ATTEMPT IS OVER, BUT WIDESPREAD DISCONTENT
AND UNCERTAINTY REMAIN.

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3. FOLLOWING OUR CONVERSATIONS [REDACTED]
[REDACTED], WE OFFER THE FOLLOWING ADDITIONAL
SUGGESTIONS ON HOW THE USG CAN SUPPORT VENEZUELAN
DEMOCRACY, AS WELL AS THE TWO COUNTRIES' OVERLAPPING
POLICY AGENDAS, PARTICULARLY IN THE ECONOMIC AND DRUG AREAS.

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-- SEND MORE MESSAGES (AND MESSENGERS). [REDACTED]
STRONGLY THAT PUBLIC EXPRESSIONS OF SUPPORT AND CONFIDENCE
BY U.S. LEADERS ARE CRITICAL. [REDACTED] THE TWO
PHONE CALLS ON THE 4TH FROM PRESIDENT BUSH WAS PALPABLE.

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-- BEGINNING MARCH 8, THE INSTITUTE OF THE AMERICAS IS
HOSTING ITS 1992 CONFERENCE ON "LATIN AMERICA'S ENERGY
INDUSTRY: NEW OPPORTUNITIES FOR GROWTH THROUGH
INTERNATIONAL INVESTMENT AND TRADE." THE CONFERENCE IS
CO-SPONSORED BY THE MELLON FOUNDATION, AID, DOE, USDOC AND
THE CALIFORNIA ENERGY COMMISSION. PARTICIPANTS FROM
VENEZUELA INCLUDE PDVSA PRESIDENT ANDRES SOSA PIETRI. WE
UNDERSTAND THAT MOST OF THE US OIL MAJORS WILL BE
ATTENDING. WOULD IT BE POSSIBLE TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE
PRESENCE OF PARTICIPANTS ALREADY IN LA JOLLA TO ADD AN
EXTRA DAY DEVOTED EXCLUSIVELY TO VENEZUELA? THIS COULD
SERVE TO HIGHLIGHT USG INTEREST IN RAISING THE VISIBILITY
OF VENEZUELA AMONG POTENTIAL INVESTORS.

-- WE ARE WORKING WITH THE VENAMCHAM AND OTHERS TO
DEVELOP ADDITIONAL MESSAGE-SENDING OPTIONS (INCLUDING THE
MESSAGE [REDACTED] SALESMANSHIP
VIS-A-VIS THE ECONOMIC PROGRAM).

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-- ACCELERATE THE EAI IN VENEZUELA. CAP'S DESIRE TO MAKE
"IRREVERSIBLE" HIS ECONOMIC REFORMS REPRESENTS AN
OPPORTUNITY FOR BOTH COUNTRIES. [REDACTED]

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MAGNETIC DRAW OF FREE TRADE NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE U.S. IS
JUST WHAT HE NEEDS TO CONVINCE VENEZUELANAS THAT THE PAIN
OF REFORM IS JUSTIFIED.

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-- USE THE SAN ANTONIO SUMMIT. AN OBVIOUS THOUGHT, BUT
WITH SEVERAL ELEMENTS. IT IS THE LEVER BY WHICH WE SHOULD
BE ABLE TO MOVE DECISIONS IN BOTH CAPITALS (FROM THE CBRN,
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TO A BIT TO IPR). BUT THE ATMOSPHERICS ARE JUST AS
IMPORTANT. FOR THE FIRST TIME, FOR EXAMPLE, IT IS NOT RPT
NOT IN OUR [REDACTED] INTEREST FOR BILATERAL CONVERSATIONS
TO BE PORTRAYED AS FOCUSING MORE ON NON-VENEZUELAN ISSUES
(AS CENTRAL AMERICA, HAITI) THAN ON VENEZUELA. TALKING
POINTS, ADDITIONAL PRESS THEMES WILL FOLLOW.

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-- HELP THE OAS. WE CONCUR WITH THE DEPARTMENT THAT THIS
IS THE TIME TO PLACE ADDITIONAL TEETH IN THE MOUTH OF THE
OAS'S DEFENSE-OF-DEMOCRACY MECHANISM. DIFFICULT TO
MEASURE, BUT THE SENSE IN CARACAS OF HEMISPHERIC
SOLIDARITY AGAINST THE COUP WAS, WE BELIEVE, A FACTOR IN
ITS FAILURE.

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